

CITY OF MILPITAS
MINUTES of: CITY COUNCIL (FINANCE) SUBCOMMITTEE
Date/Time: Monday, March 17, 2014 – 6:05 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER: Vice Mayor Althea Polanski called the meeting to order at 6:05pm

Attendance:

City Council: Jose Esteves, Mayor
Althea Polanski, Vice Mayor

Staff: Tom Williams, City Manager
Emma Karlen, Finance Director
Jeff Moneda, Public Works Director/City Engineer
Michael Boitnott, Associate Engineer
Dat Nguyen, Financial Analyst

II. PUBLIC FORUM: None

III. APPROVAL of MINUTES: The January 14, 2014 minutes were approved.

IV. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

A. Discuss FY14-15 and Five Year Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) Plan

- Jeff Moneda, Public Works Director/City Engineer and Michael Boitnott, Associate Engineer – Presented to the Finance Subcommittee the Five Year CIP Plan.
- Mayor inquired how to continue protect the surface of Community Center floor, type of warranty and last time it was replaced? Jeff and Michael responded that the lifespan of the floor is about 10-15 years and it was also about the number of years it was last changed. The floor at the Community Center is frequently used as such to help protect we put on sealant and layer between the floor and material.
- Mayor inquired about the amount of funding for FY 14-15 and why it is low comparing to future years and suggested staff update the chart to include current year 13-14 and identify projects without funding so Council can make decision. Vice Mayor asked for comparison during RDA time. Michael responded that reasons for lower amount in 14-15 versus future years because certain projects in FY14-15 are in design phases and construction phases are budgeted in the out years. He also mentioned that current funding is about one third or half at the peak of RDA time. Emma added due to certain one-time big projects such as library, which is not an on-going project made prior years' numbers much higher. Excluding those type of projects, current funding is not that much less than back in RDA time. In addition, there's a minus \$3.5 million in Transit Area projects because developers are building them instead of City. If that number is included, 14-15 proposed CIP would be \$18 million plus.
- Tom explained why projects listed in Community Improvements are a priority such as Fire Stations 2 and 3 and resurfacing pools at the Sport Center. Fire Stations 2 and 3 are in a bad shape and we need to do a cost benefits study of either remodeling or tear down

and rebuilding. As for the pools resurfacing at the Sport Center, it is for health safety reasons and we have been dinged by the Santa Clara County for the past five years.

- For Park Projects, Vice Mayor mentioned that Parks, Recreation & Cultural Resources Commission (PRCRC) inquired how we can update sign with information, like a little descriptor of how we got the name. Michael responded that we have brass plaques on certain parks like Memorial Park. Jeff added that we can present to the PRCRC and Community Advisory Commission (CAC) with all the formats already existed at various parks and other alternatives to come up with a standardize format.
- For Street Projects, Mayor asked what we are going to do with the difference between the \$4.5 million needed to maintain a PCI of 70 versus funding of \$4.2 million. Jeff replied that there are streets that can be stretched by changing program strategy such as to overlay and cape or slurry seal versus reconstruction based on street conditions. We still be able to achieve PCI goal with less funding.
- Mayor expressed concerns of invasion of privacy with the automated water meters replacement and suggested we seek consent. Vice Mayor and Tom indicated that we collect the same information through our current manual process and that we would save time and money with the conversion. However, we could send out reminder notices.
- Tom identified one of City's top priority is Storm Drain as we currently don't have Storm Drain fund and it would required 2/3 vote if we go to voters. Emma added that 1/3 of unidentified funding is in Storm Drain. Though we have accumulated approximately \$20 million between RPTTF distributions and 2% TOT Measure I, we still need new funding source.
- Mayor inquired about the small parcel of land on the eastside of Main Street as several groups have discussed about the possibility of installing a mini park. Tom added that the groups have approached us as well to see whether we can have something similar to Kelly Park in San Jose like international walk, plaza or monument and it will be their cost. We will be meeting with the group to discuss the concepts. Mayor asked about the funding for the interior improvements for the Alviso Adobe building and whether there's any grants funding? Michael responded that \$1 million plus is needed to bring it to museum status and we are not eligible for grant or endowment funding as we are a local government.

ACTION: Vice Mayor recommended that we bring the proposed 2014-2019 CIP with the chart updated to include current year 13-14 actual to City Council for approval.

V. OTHER BUSINESS

Policy Issue: Tom and Emma asked for clarification regarding use of RPTTF distributions policy. Mayor and Vice Mayor mentioned their understanding is that City would use the RPTTF distributions to meet our operating budget with the excess go to CIP.

VI. NEXT MEETING – Monday, April 28, 2014 at 3:00PM

VII. ADJOURNMENT